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1. There is a new current among the leaders of the Rumanian National Peasants Party presently in Rumania. Because MANIU, leader of the party, is old and sick, and has been imprisoned in the Galaz prison on the banks of the Danube for more than two years, the election of a new president of the party is being considered. General RADESCU, former Prime Minister and presently President of the Rumanian National Committee in Exile in New York, was asked to assume the Presidency, allegedly to become effective President, while MANIU would remain Honorary President. This solution was to serve to quiet the dissidence existing among the group of representatives of National Peasants abroad. In fact the leadership of this group has been divided by two personalities for some time, i.e. by the former Prime Minister of Foreign Affairs during the Armistice period, Nicolescu BUVESTI and by Prof. Augustin POPA. BUFESTI is considered a late comer and ambitious. POPA is a Transylvanian, a University professor and a follower of MENIU. But the majority of the National Peasant Party, abroad and in Rumania, are opposed to the designation of RADESCU. . . .

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